

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
FOR THE COUNTY OF MASON**

IN THE MATTER OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
TO A THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH)
) NO. 20-2-00002-23
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THIS MATTER has come before the Court Sua Sponte, the Court finds as follows:

On March 4, 2020, the Chief Justice Of the Supreme Court of Washington issued an emergency order in response to the public health emergency that affects operations of trial courts in Washington State; and

The Division of Emergency Management and Department of Public Health of Mason County has reported to the Board of County Commissioners of Mason County as to conditions beginning on March 13, 2020, created by the Public Health threat from the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic in Mason County; and

On March 13, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners of Mason County determined that extensive injury has or will, likely occur to persons as a result of the pandemic; and

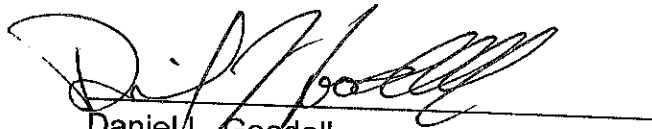
The Washington State Supreme Court has adopted Order No. 25700-B-602, granting emergency authority to this court to adopt, modify, and suspend court rules and orders, and to take further actions concerning court operations, as warranted to address the current state of emergency;

Based upon the above and upon information from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and in consultation with the Mason County Public Health Department, the Mason County Superior Court is taking the following actions and entering the following Orders:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The Mason County Superior Court General Docket Emergency Scheduling and Procedures, COVID-19 Plan is hereby adopted, as attached as Attachment A, and incorporated by this reference, including any subsequent amendments and additions. Based upon the above findings, the Court has determined that Good Cause exists in order to extend any and all time periods related to Dependency review and permanency planning hearings.
2. The Mason County Superior Court Juvenile Offender Matters, Scheduling and Procedures, COVID-19 Plan is hereby adopted, as attached as Attachment B, and incorporated by this reference, including any subsequent amendments and additions. Based upon the above findings, an excluded period shall be established for all Adjudicatory Hearings that will be continued as a result of the Plan. See JuCR 7.8(e)(3).
3. The Mason County Superior Court Adult Criminal Matters, Scheduling and Procedures, COVID-19 Plan is hereby adopted, as attached as Attachment C, and incorporated by this reference, including any subsequent amendments and additions. Based upon the above findings, an excluded period shall be established for all Trials that will be continued as a result of the Plan. See CrR 3.3(e)(3).

DATED this 16th day of March, 2020.


Daniel L. Goodell
Presiding Judge